

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of the above-referenced application are respectfully requested.

Claims 2-9 stand rejected based on obviousness-type double patenting as allegedly being unpatentable over claims 1-57 of U.S. Patent No. 6,319,761. This contention, however, is respectfully traversed with respect to the rejected claims. In fact, the current rejected claims require a crystallization promoting material that has a metal beam provided to a first and second region of a semiconductor film. The semiconductor film is crystallized by heating so that crystals grow from the first region to the second region. The growth of the crystals terminates at the second region. This feature is depicted in the original Figs. 1A and 1B, with the first region corresponding to the region 101, and the second region corresponding to the region 109. It is respectfully suggested, therefore, that these features are not defined by the claims of U.S. Patent No. 6,319,761, and therefore, that all of these claims should be in condition for allowance.

In addition, we are submitting a Transmittal of Corrected Formal Drawing to correct the direction of the arrows in FIG. 1B. This error was made during the preparation of the formal drawings, and this figure was properly presented in the

originally-filed application. Therefore, this drawing  
correction does not represent new matter.

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